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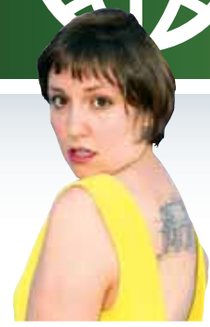

Self-referrals up at sexual behaviours clinic: Royal

Hospital seeing more individuals who were not sent by the courts PAGE 6

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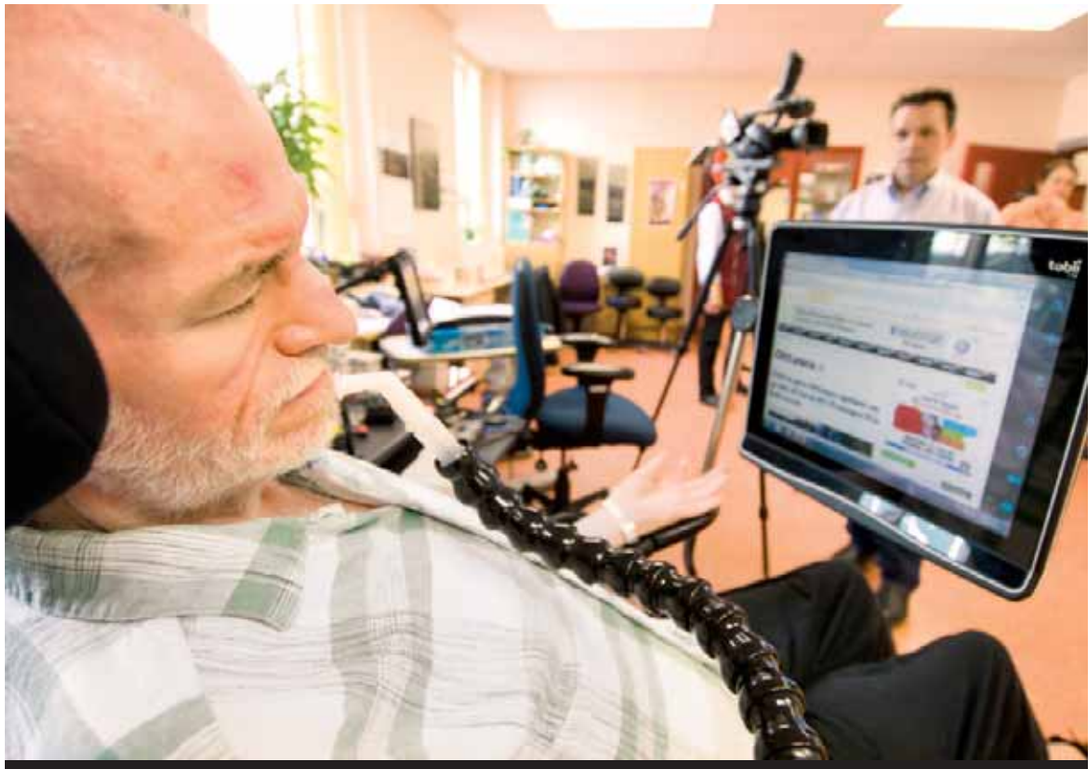

'IT OPENS UP THE WHOLE WORLD'

ALS patient Howard Hunter surfs the web using an infrared sensor that tracks his eye movements to move his cursor. See page 6 to find out more about how continuing-care volunteers and technicians in Bruyere are using high-tech devices and a little DIY-initiative to give patients such as Hunter more autonomy. TREVOR GREENWAY/METRO

PM could be witness at Duffy's trial

Senate scandal.
Defence says trial will not be 'political circus'

Mike Duffy's lawyer says he isn't going to rule out calling anyone — including Prime Minister Stephen Harper — as a witness in the suspended senator's upcoming trial.

"We're considering any potential witness," Donald Bayne said Tuesday after a brief court appearance. "At this point, it's too early to rule anything out. But please understand, this isn't being run as a personal or political vendetta."

In July, the RCMP charged the former Conservative senator with 31 counts related to his Senate expense claims.

The charges include fraud, breach of trust and bribery.

Bayne says he hopes to skip a preliminary hearing and set a trial date for the senator at another court meeting next week. He and Crown attorney Jason Newbauer will talk this week about when the trial can begin.

"This will be his first opportunity for a complete airing of all the evidence before an impartial tribunal and his opportunity to clear his name, to show that he's guilty of no wrongdoing," Bayne said.

The one big question on everyone's mind is how much the prime minister knew about the secret $90,000 payment made by his former chief of staff Nigel Wright to cover Duffy's contested Senate expenses. The prime minister has said on many occasions he knew nothing about the plan to pay Duffy's expenses.

Bayne insists the case won't turn into a political sideshow.

"This isn't a political case. This is a criminal case. It's going to be conducted professionally," Bayne said.

That said, Bayne acknowledged Duffy's case "absolutely" could go to trial before the next federal election, set for Oct. 19, 2015. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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After four months' burning, Iqaluit's "dumpcano" has been extinguished. According to officials, crews spent 17 days removing buckets of garbage from the dump and dunking them in a pond.

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B.C. TEACHERS' STRIKE

A marathon bargaining session with help of a mediator has led to a tentative deal that could end British Columbia's bitter teachers' strike.

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BLUE STEEL!

Will Ferrell's turn as fashion label boss Mugatu helped cement his status as a Hollywood draw, and it looks like he may reprise the Zoolander role in a movie sequel.

German pop-rock band is all about inclusion

The Mix. Group performs at the Zaphod Beeblebrox on Friday

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A German pop-rock band is giving a voice to people with special needs.

The Mix is an 11-member group mostly composed of people with Down syndrome, autism or other cognitive differences.

Belting out "handmade" rock songs in English and German, the Mix's music is about inclusion.

"People aren't looking at us, in a way, of just being a band with handicapped people," said guitarist and founder Peter Savic, while on the road from Philadelphia to Washington. "They're listening to the music and they like the songs. That's inclusion, for us."

The band has already made waves in Germany, Denmark, England and Africa. Now the group is making its debut in North America — with a stop in Ottawa this Friday. France and Australia are in future tour plans.

Savic founded the group in 2009 in the German village of Neuerkerode. The name comes from the band's mix of people — seven with special needs and four without.

Making music with a group of people with special needs can have its challenges, said Savic.

"You have to get to know them first," he said. "You have to earn their trust."

Touring can be challenging, especially for those with behavioural issues who may be "really brilliant and really happy" one day or slowed down the next, said Savic.

But anyone who listens to the upbeat, tight rhythms of the Mix can hear the rewards.

The Mix will be at Zaphod Beeblebrox on Friday, Sept. 19, at 5 p.m. Tickets cost $7.

The Mix, a band composed mostly of people with special needs, will be bringing its pop rock to Ottawa.
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Treating sexual transgressions

The Royal. Self-referrals for sexual behaviour treatment increasing, says clinic co-ordinator

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More people are asking their doctors for referral to The Royal Ottawa Hospital's sexual behaviours clinic these days, says a clinic coordinator in the forensic treatment unit.

Lisa Murphy said they're hoping to receive treatment for sexually deviant behaviour such as exhibitionism, voyeurism and pedophilia.

In the past five years, Murphy said, there has been an increase in self-instigated referral from concerned individuals who were not sent there by the courts.

"We are seeing people come in and say they either went to their doctor and got a doctor referral or they contacted the clinic and said, 'I have these interests, I don't want to have these interests, I don't want to act on them, I need help,'" said Murphy.

"That's obviously ideal for us in that we are able to see these individuals that have these interests before they go ahead and act on them and create a victim."

It's this increase that has got The Royal's staff thinking of ways to ramp up prevention efforts and create more awareness about the services available for people who want help curbing their sexual interests.

Murphy will be speaking Thursday about the clinic and Canada's approach to the sex offender registry, as part of a panel discussion moderated by Dr. Paul Fedoroff, director of the sexual behaviours clinic.

Staff Sgt. Dana Reynolds and Det. Mark Horton of Ottawa police will also speak to their experiences of managing of high-risk offenders.

Since Dr. Fedoroff took over the clinic, no one who has received treatment after committing sexual abuse has gone on to reoffend, according to Murphy.

Treatment can range from group therapy sessions, testosterone blocking medication, and psychiatric sessions, to support from social workers.

Murphy suspects the recent surge in self-referrals might have to do with a societal acceptance that not all child abusers are "monsters," and in some cases they don't want to hurt children.

"More people are finding out that this treatment is out there," said Murphy, "and I also think that more people are finding that we are saying, 'You're not unfixable.'"

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Since its inception in 1983, the sexual behaviours clinic has treated more than 4,100 people.

OC Transpo-Via Rail

TSB to update city on probe into bus-train collision

Ottawa residents might get some answers next week about the fatal OC Transpo-Via Rail crash that claimed the lives of six people last September.

The Transportation Safety Board of Canada will update the public on its investigation of the crash at a Sept. 24 news conference at the agency's Research Road office.

The news conference will come one year after the Sept. 18, 2013, crash on the Transitway near the Fallowfield Road station crossing during morning rush hour. Five OC Transpo passengers and the bus driver were killed and more than 30 people were injured.

The city will also observe a moment of silence Wednesday at a transit commission meeting, and lower flags at all city facilities on Thursday.

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Philippe Mallet

Suspected robber arrested after foot chase: Police

After a brief foot chase Monday, Ottawa police arrested a man in relation to a May 25 robbery that saw a 19-year-old man stabbed for his cellphone and cash.

Philippe Mallet, 20, of Ottawa, faces charges of robbery, aggravated assault, assault with a weapon and breach of probation in the May 25 incident.

Three additional charges stem from his arrest: assaulting a peace officer, obstructing/resisting a peace officer, and marijuana possession.

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NCC extends shuttle runs to Redblacks games

The National Capital Commission (NCC) voted to extend a city transportation pilot project until the end of the CFL season.

That means the Ottawa Sports and Entertainment Group (OSEG) is allowed to continue running shuttle buses down Queen Elizabeth Drive, which is owned by the NCC.

The plan aims to alleviate traffic from Bank Street. But there are a few changes moving forward, including reduced parking restriction hours in the Glebe, fewer OSEG shuttle trips and more bus stops at TD Place and along Bank Street.

Despite the expanded shuttle project, more transit users are taking the regular bus, according to a city report.

On July 18, 33 per cent of the game's total attendees took OC Transpo or STO buses and 22 per cent took the OSEG shuttle. But at the Sept. 5 game, 40 per cent took the public bus and just 18 per cent rode in shuttle buses.

Coun. David Chernushenko said he's heard complaints from Glebe residents about shuttles travelling down Lakeside Drive. As a result, OSEG has chopped its traffic down the residential route by about 30 per cent, he said.

LUCY SCHOLEY/METRO

Glebe association request

A Redblacks game on Halloween will make transportation to Lansdowne especially tricky with trick-or-treaters.

- Chernushenko said he supports a request to bar all shuttles from travelling down Lakeside Drive to the game that night.

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New technology opens a 'window to the world' for Saint-Vincent patients

'It makes life interesting.' Patients are now able to access many different things online through AAC technology

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Molly Knox has never seen the great pyramids, the Eiffel tower or the Great Wall of China.

And for the quadriplegic patient at Saint-Vincent Hospital in Bruyère, Que., who sometimes spends days confined to her bed, travelling to those destinations is simply impossible.

But new cutting-edge technology that gives her the ability to surf and scroll through the web with just a slight movement of her head has given her a new "window to the world."

"It opens up the whole world," said Knox, showing off a headband featuring sensors and gyroscopes that sense her movement and control the movement of her tablet cursor.

"It makes life interesting. When you are in bed, it's boring. If you can go online, you can go anywhere. With Google Maps, I can go on virtual tours."

Knox, who has been at Saint-Vincent for seven years, has found it difficult to do simple tasks like turning up or down the volume on her TV or connecting with family and friends whenever she wants.

But with the new Augmentative and Alternative Communication (AAC) technology, she can now rent books online, watch Netflix and even have an online shopping day with her sisters who are spread out across the country.

"All three of us can get together and talk on Skype," she said. "Or we get together and we shop on some of the shopping websites. So, we are shopping together."

It's a similar feeling for Howard Hunter, who lost most of his independence when he was diagnosed with ALS two years ago.

His new infrared computer screen tracks his eye movement and allows him to navigate the Internet with ease.

Hunter has a hard time speaking and can use the Internet to connect with people that he wouldn't otherwise be able to communicate with.

Communication

"What we are trying to do is augment people's capability so that they can communicate better."

Yih Lerh Huang, volunteer software developer for Saint-Vincent Hospital

"I can use the computer again, the way I did before I lost the use of my hands," said Hunter.

The technology was developed by volunteer software developer Yih Lerh Huang and Saint-Vincent's assistive technologist Bocar Ndiaye using open source software and "hobbyist components" to keep costs low.

"In many cases, (patients) are shut in and would not be able to access a lot of the technology such as a tablet or a smartphone," said Huang.

"What we are trying to do is augment people's capability so that they can communicate better."

Only a few of the hospital's 336 patients are using AAC devises, but the continuing care facility sees big things for the future.

Molly Knox, a quadriplegic patient at the Saint-Vincent Hospital, surfs the web using a headband with a gyroscope that allows her to scroll by moving her head. TREVOR GREENWAY/METRO

Dog rescuer suing municipality for $544K to relocate

Valley Mastiff Rescue owner France Turcotte cuddles one of her dogs at her west Quebec shelter. TREVOR GREENWAY/METRO

A dog shelter operator in west Quebec is suing her municipality for over half a million dollars for loss of income and stress, when her permit was revoked five years after she set up her business.

The municipality of La Pêche also banned the very breed of dog France Turcotte rescues — mastiffs — in 2013, four years after she opened her charitable organization, Valley Mastiff Rescue in 2009.

She says she was never advised of the bylaw change.

Court documents show that Turcotte is claiming $544,707.58 in damages.

Fighting it out

A trial date is set for Sept. 29.

"Eighty six per cent of my donations have been lost," said Turcotte, adding that the loss accounts for about $40,000.

"And the damage to the reputation is terrible. You can't fix that. People think we are closed."

The trouble began for the Wakefield dog rescuer in January, she says, when she received threats from neighbours.

Soon after that, the municipality revoked her permit, claiming her property was never zoned for a dog sanctuary. La Pêche Mayor Robert Bussiere told Metro that her previous permit was given by mistake.

Turcotte is now "living out of a suitcase" at an undisclosed location in Ontario, where she and her dogs are safe.

She wants to move her business to Ontario, but still needs to sell her house.

She's quick to say it's not about money, but caring for the animals.

Bussiere wasn't sympathetic toward Turcotte's situation and told Metro that her financial woes are not the municipality's problem.

He said he will fight the challenge in court, tooth and nail.

"Is that my problem?" asked Bussiere. "It's not for us to pay for her to move."

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Ukraine solidifies EU ties with landmark agreement

Looking west.
Ukraine has ratified a deal that will draw it closer to the European Union and its allies

Ukraine's parliament ratified a landmark association agreement with the European Union Tuesday, firmly pivoting the country toward the West and drawing a line under the issue that sparked massive protests and led to the ex-president's ouster.

In contrast to the patriotic fanfare of that vote, parliament earlier in the day went behind closed doors to approve laws granting greater autonomy for rebellious, pro-Russian regions in the east, and amnesty for many involved in the fighting.

The laws are part of a peace deal between Kyiv and the Russia-backed separatists, which includes a ceasefire that has been repeatedly violated since it was imposed on Sept. 5. But the Kyiv government has struggled to balance an outwardly pro-European stance with its attempts to end the conflict in the east by giving greater autonomy to the pro-Russian rebels, a move many in Ukraine fear will allow Russia to bolster its influence and further destabilize the region.

After the ratification vote in Kyiv, synchronized with the European parliament by video chat, members of parliament leapt to their feet to sing the Ukrainian national anthem.

"The message this sends could not be clearer: the European Parliament supports Ukraine in its European vocation," said Martin Schulz, the president of the EU Parliament. "The European Parliament will continue defending a united and sovereign Ukraine."

Ukrainian protesters burn tires outside the Ukrainian parliament in Kyiv on Tuesday. The demonstrators rallied in support of a bill that would introduce extra checks for senior government officials. SERGEI CHUZAVKOV/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The agreement will lower trade tariffs between Europe and Ukraine, require Ukrainian goods to meet European regulatory standards, and force the Kyiv government to undertake major political and economic reforms. In a speech to legislators, President Petro Poroshenko called the vote a "first but very decisive step" toward bringing Ukraine fully into the European Union.

Poroshenko said those who died during protests against the ex-president and during fighting in the east "gave up their lives so that we could take a dignified place among the European family."

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Assisted suicide

Belgian man requests death

A Belgian man convicted of murder and rape is being put to death, feeling he's a menace to society.

Authorities granted a request for assisted suicide by Frank Van Den Bleeken, a man convicted of rape and murder who has been in prison for nearly 30 years. He feels there are no more treatment options for him and he cannot control his sexual urges and wishes to die, his lawyer said.

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Ebola outbreak

U.S. orders troops to West Africa

President Barack Obama is ramping up the U.S. response to the Ebola crisis, ordering 3,000 U.S. military personnel to West Africa amid worries that the financial and human cost of the outbreak is growing exponentially in a region overwhelmed by the deadly virus.

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Stem-cell donor found for Quebec woman battling leukemia for a second time

Mai Duong addresses a news conference in Montreal, Tuesday. The Quebec woman's desperate online plea for a compatible stem-cell donor in her bid to fight cancer a second time is shedding light on the lack of minorities on official lists in Canada and abroad. GRAHAM HUGHES/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sask. woman deported to Pakistan

Appeal rejected. Jamila Bibi flown out of Toronto Tuesday afternoon: Lawyer

A 65-year-old woman working as a cook in Saskatoon has been deported to her native Pakistan, where her lawyer says her life could be in danger.

Lawyer Bashir Khan says Jamila Bibi was flown out of Toronto on Tuesday afternoon.

He says his client has been barred from re-entering Canada on any visa in the future.

Khan says Bibi fled to Canada in 2007 after being falsely accused of adultery by her husband.

He says traditional Islamic law calls for stoning to death for married people who commit adultery, and adds she could be a target for honour killing.

Bibi's claim for refugee status was rejected and a last-minute appeal to the Federal Court of Canada this week was rejected.

"The applicant has not presented evidence before this court that could support a finding that she will face risks if she is removed to Pakistan that have not been already assessed on two occasions (by immigration officials)," Justice Marie-Josee Bedard wrote.

"Therefore, and considering that the applicant's allegation of irreparable harm is based on risks, she has not met her evidentiary burden."

In her letter to the UN, Bibi wrote she has worked hard to establish herself in Saskatoon but her application for a work permit was not processed.

"I know my life would be in danger if I am sent back and I would rather to have peaceful death here than be killed for something that I did not do," she wrote. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Taxman

CRA sets up self-snitch line

The taxman wants to know if any of his own are up to no good.

That's why the Canada Revenue Agency is in the process of setting up a self-snitch line.

The so-called internal fraud and misuse reporting lines would give agency staff a way to confidentially report any concerns about their colleagues.

Three Canada Revenue Agency employees were among seven people caught up in a sweep by the Mounties earlier this year.

Charges laid include bribery of public officers, conspiracy, fraud, breach of trust by a public officer and fraud against the government. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Fight with ISIS

Not a combat mission: Harper

Prime Minister Stephen Harper says 69 special forces soldiers have been sent to northern Iraq to advise and assist local forces in the fight against the militants known as the Islamic State of Iraq and al-Sham (ISIS).

Harper revealed the figure during a second straight day of question-period pressure from the opposition in the House of Commons.

Both the New Democrats and Liberals want Parliament to vote on the deployment, but Harper says that won't happen because it's not a combat mission. THE CANADIAN PRESS

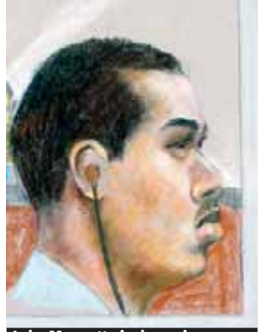
B.C. Man who killed four women gets life without parole for 25 years

The northern B.C. man who killed four women has been given a life sentence without the chance of parole for 25 years.

Cody Legebokoff's conviction on four counts of first-degree murder automatically assigns him the life sentence.

B.C. Supreme Court Justice Glen Parrett told the court as he sentenced Legebokoff that the man fabricated the claim that unnamed drug dealers killed the women.

A jury convicted the 24-year-old last week of killing Loren Leslie, Jill Stuchenko, Cynthia Mass and Natasha Montgomery in 2009 and 2010. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Luka Magnotta is shown in an artist's sketch at the Montreal Courthouse on September 8, 2014. MIKE MCLAUGHLIN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Murder trial of Luka Rocco Magnotta. Jury selection now underway

The first day of jury selection in the murder trial of Luka Rocco Magnotta has seen five people chosen to hear the case.

Magnotta has pleaded not guilty to five charges, including first-degree murder, in connection with the May 2012 slaying and dismemberment of Jun Lin, 33, a Chinese engineering student.

Two women were selected as jurors this morning, while two men and one woman were picked this afternoon.

The process will continue until they have found 14 bilingual candidates and two alternates. Ultimately, 14 jurors will hear the case and a dozen will decide the verdict. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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VKontakte. Oligarch wrests control of Russia's popular social network

A media company owned by Kremlin-friendly oligarch Alisher Usmanov has splashed out $1.5 billion US to gain full control of Russia's most popular social network, VKontakte, bringing an end to a months-long dispute that saw the original investors sue each other in court.

London-listed Mail.Ru Group said in a statement Tuesday that it now owns the whole of VKontakte following its purchase of a 48 per cent stake from investment fund United Capital Partners.

VKontakte is Russia's most popular social network, with more than 270 million accounts. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Russia's richest man

Alisher Usmanov, who is reputed to be worth $18.6 billion US, was named Russia's richest man by the Russian Forbes magazine earlier this year.

Goalkeeper pissed off

Rival fans urinate in player's water bottle

A lower-league Swiss soccer club says it will investigate reports that some of its fans urinated in a water bottle that a rival goalkeeper then drank from.

Reto Felder, a goalkeeper who plays for Muri in the Swiss fourth division, says in the Blick daily newspaper he first thought his drink was warmed by the sun.

He called the prank "crude and disgraceful."

Fans in the crowd of about 500 reportedly persuaded a ball boy to pass them the bottle. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Scientists set to examine colossal Antarctic squid

New Zealand. Researchers hope to find out where the creature fits in the food chain and how it lives and dies

Capt. John Bennett shows the colossal squid he and his crew caught in Antarctica's remote Ross Sea. The creature has tentacles like fire hoses and eyes like dinner plates. COURTESY SAN ASPRING CREW/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

It was a calm morning in Antarctica's remote Ross Sea, during the season when the sun never sets, when Capt. John Bennett and his crew hauled up a creature with tentacles like fire hoses and eyes like dinner plates from less than two kilometres below the surface.

It was a colossal squid: 350 kilograms, as long as a minibus and one of the sea's most elusive species. It had been frozen for eight months until Tuesday, when scientists in New Zealand got a long-anticipated chance to thaw out the animal and inspect it — once they used a forklift to manoeuvre it into a tank.

The squid is a female, and its eight arms are each well over a metre long. Its two tentacles would have been perhaps double that length if they had not been damaged.

"This is essentially an intact specimen, which is almost an unparalleled opportunity for us to examine. This is a spectacular opportunity," said Kat Bolstad, a squid scientist from the Auckland University of Technology who was leading a team examining the creature. About 142,000 people from 180 countries watched streaming footage of the squid examination on the Internet.

Colossal squid sometimes inhabit the world of fiction and imagination, but have rarely been seen in daylight. Remarkably, Bennett and his crew on the San Aspiring fishing boat have caught two of them. Their first, hauled in seven years ago, is on display in New Zealand's national museum, Te Papa. Bennett said there was so much excitement about his previous catch, he thought he had better save the latest one for research.

Bolstad said it's possible that ancient sightings of the species gave rise to tales of the kraken, or giant sea-monster squid. She said sperm whales often eat colossal squid and are known to play with their food, and sailors may have mistaken that for epic battles. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Minister denies rumours of possible pyramid collapse

4,600-year-old pyramid. Egypt's Minister of Antiquities offered journalists a tour of the Djoser pyramid

Egypt's antiquities minister took journalists inside a 4,600-year-old pyramid on Tuesday to reject recent accusations of mismanagement at the site as false and "without evidence."

At a news conference at the Saqqara pyramid complex, some 30 kilometres south of Cairo, Minister of Antiquities Mamdouh el-Damaty decried recent media reports alleging that the Djoser pyramid might collapse.

El-Damaty welcomed small groups of journalists inside the stone pyramid to view the inner chamber's steel and wood support scaffolding.

Criticism of the project centres on the government's choice of a contractor, the Shurbagy construction company, which has no antiquities experience.

Critics say a brick wall built on top of the pyramid's base risks damaging the ancient structure.

"This company is full of corruption; they didn't hire professional people," said Monica Hanna, an Egyptian archeologist.

"Looking at archival images of Saqqara over the past 100 years, the pyramid actually looks new," Hanna said. "This should never be the case; we have to conserve these monuments in a way that is unnoticeable."

El-Damaty blamed journalists for not contacting the ministry about "rumours" of the pyramid's structural integrity.

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Hussien Ahmed, 70, a camel rider, is seen in front of the Djoser Pyramid on Tuesday in Saqqara, Egypt. AMR NABIL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Violence. Brazilian police clash with protesters after eviction of 200 families

Police and housing activists in Brazil's biggest city clashed violently on Tuesday after authorities evicted about 200 families who had illegally occupied an empty hotel in downtown Sao Paulo.

Protesters hurled rocks and pieces of wood at some of the 250 police troops who showed up to evict an estimated 200 families that had occupied the building's 20 floors for six months. The confrontation spread to nearby streets and in front of Sao Paulo's Municipal Theater, where some protesters torched a bus. Police fired rubber bullets, tear gas and stun grenades to disperse the crowd.

Live television images showed some young men wearing gas masks and vandalizing nearby businesses, while others used homemade wooden shields to ward off rubber bullets. Lt. Col. Mauro Lopes of the Sao Paulo police department told reporters seven people suspected of breaking into a store, and of setting the bus on fire, had been arrested. Another 60 people were taken into custody for questioning.

A man and a baby, among those who left an occupied building, are framed by shields of police during an eviction Tuesday in Sao Paulo, Brazil. ANDRE PENNER/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Four police officers were injured in the confrontation and taken to nearby hospitals.

Police and members of the so-called "roofless" movement have clashed often in recent months. The movement organizes poor families to move into abandoned buildings, often in central Sao Paulo.

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Philippines

Volcano may erupt 'within weeks,' officials warn

The Philippines' most active volcano belched out huge lava fragments that rolled about a kilometre down its slope in an ongoing gentle eruption, prompting authorities to remove thousands of villagers from the area, officials said Tuesday.

The Philippine Institute of Volcanology and Seismology raised the alert level for Mount Mayon, warning that a "hazardous eruption" is possible within weeks. Increased restiveness was recorded overnight, including the ejection of glowing rocks from the summit and dozens of low-frequency volcanic earthquakes. Molten lava has accumulated at the top of the 2,460-metre (8,070-foot) volcano's crater, creating a glow in the night sky that sparked both awe and fear among spectators.

Volcanologist Ed Laguerta said he saw huge glowing lava fragments and hot boulders rolling down from Mayon's crater late Monday, when thick clouds parted and revealed the volcano's summit.

Albay Gov. Joey Salceda ordered the evacuation of up to 12,000 residents within eight kilometres of the crater. The area within six kilometres of the volcano is a mandatory evacuation zone.

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Alberta. New premier announces government will sell its airplane fleet

The Alberta government's controversial fleet of airplanes will soon be gone with the wind, Premier Jim Prentice announced Tuesday.

Prentice said the first decision of his new cabinet was to sell the four-plane fleet that had become a public relations millstone around the neck of the Progressive Conservative government.

"Effective immediately, the premier and ministers will be expected to fly commercial as the primary method of transportation," Prentice told a legislature news conference.

Alberta's fleet of planes will soon be gone, Premier Jim Prentice said on Tuesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

He said the government is now looking to tender a contract to a charter air service.

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Rare air

Now for sale: Spacey's exhale

Diehard House of Cards fans curious to find out if Frank Underwood's breath really smells like barbecued ribs may finally have their chance.

A jar allegedly containing the breath of actor Kevin Spacey, who stars in the popular Netflix political drama, has gone up for sale on Craigslist in Vancouver.

In the ad, posted Monday, the seller claims to have worked with Spacey on the set of American Beauty, and allegedly asked the star to blow into the jar as a gift for their mother.

METRO IN VANCOUVER

They'll be real all too soon

A film crew member touches up a fake snowman at Historic Properties in Halifax, N.S., on Tuesday. Historic Properties was standing in for downtown London during a cough syrup commercial for the British pharmaceutical company Beecham's. JEFF HARPER/METRO IN HALIFAX

'A concern.' Expanding waistlines in the U.S. a dangerous trend: Study

The number of American men and women with big-bellied, apple-shaped figures — the most dangerous kind of obesity — has climbed at a startling rate over the past decade, according to a government study.

People whose fat has settled mostly around their waistlines instead of in their hips, thighs, buttocks or all over are known to run a higher risk of heart disease, diabetes and other obesity-related ailments.

Fifty-four per cent of U.S. adults have abdominal obesity, up from 46 per cent in 1999-2000, researchers reported in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association.

During the 12-year period studied, the average waist size in the U.S. expanded to 38 inches for women, a gain of two inches. It grew to 40 inches for men, a one-inch increase.

"The increase is a concern. There's no question about that," said Dr. William Dietz, an obesity expert formerly with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, now at George Washington University.

The expansion in waistlines came even as the overall level of obesity — as defined not by waist size but by body mass index, of BMI, a weight-to-height ratio — held steady.

"What it suggests is that even though the obesity rate may be stable, fat distribution may be changing, which would mean that we shouldn't be complacent about the plateau," said Dietz, who was not involved in the study.

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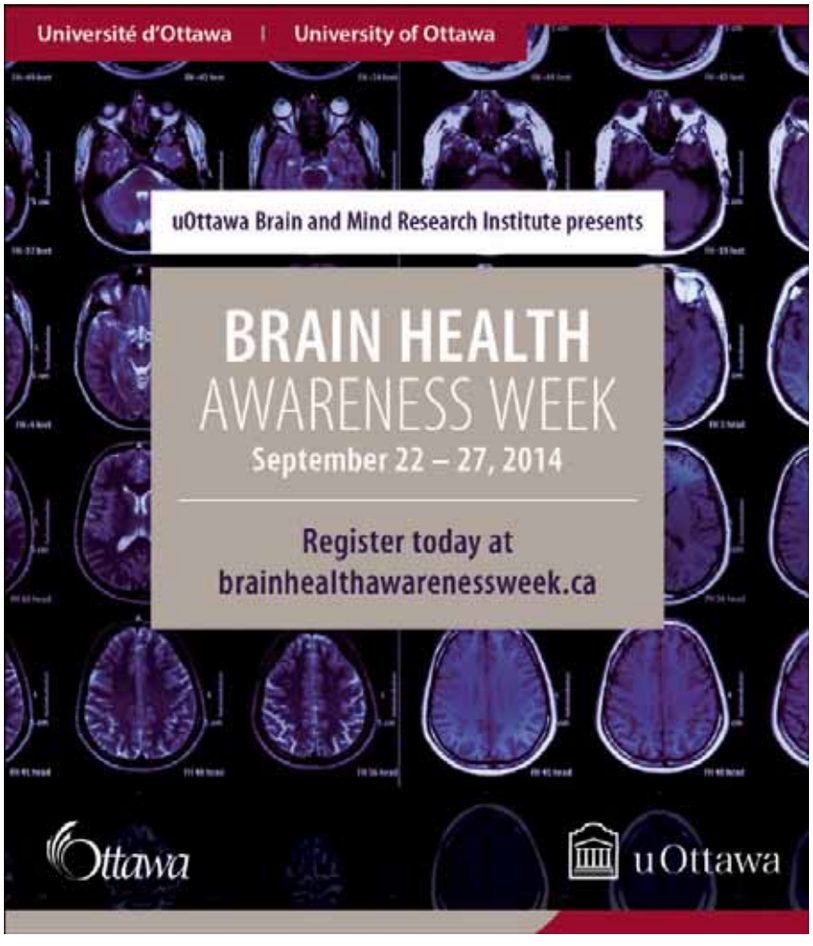
By the numbers

Abdominal obesity is defined as a waistline of more than 35 inches in women and more than 40 inches in men.



Toronto waiting for an update on Rob Ford's health

'Extremely tough.'
Controversial mayor's wife, Renata, says her family is 'trying' to keep its spirits up

Toronto Mayor Rob Ford
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A doctor will update the city of Toronto on the health of Mayor Rob Ford at 5 p.m. on Wednesday, his brother, Doug Ford, said Tuesday.

Nobody from Ford's family is expected to attend the news conference. Doug Ford, now a mayoral candidate, has not scheduled any campaign events.

"It's extremely tough right now," Doug Ford told reporters.

The mayor has provided a series of ominous updates to Toronto Sun columnist Joe Warmington. On Monday, he said he had undergone a second biopsy, this one on his lungs, and was vomiting and in pain.

"I guess the good lord wants me somewhere else," he said on the weekend.

Asked by CTV on Tuesday if the family is keeping its spirits up, Ford's wife Renata said, "We're trying."

Rob Ford was hospitalized last Wednesday and diagnosed with an abdominal tumour. He was transferred from Humber River Hospital to Mount Sinai on Thursday. His care team is headed by Dr. Zane Cohen, a renowned colorectal surgeon.

Ford withdrew from the mayoral election on Friday. He is now running for council in the city's Ward 2 (Etobicoke North), the area he represented from 2000 to 2010.

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Can U.S. cities force drug firms to pay for 'a raging epidemic'?

Prescription painkillers. Cash-strapped cities fighting prescription opioid abuse are trying to get the makers of these drugs to pony up

Paracetamol tablets
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Some of America's largest cities are ratcheting up their criticism of prescription painkillers, blaming the industry for a wave of addiction and overdoses that have ravaged their communities and busted local budgets.

The heightened rhetoric comes as Chicago tries to recover millions in health care costs from opioid drugmakers, alleging that companies deliberately misled the public about the risks of their drugs. It's a legal strategy that could be attractive to other cash-strapped cities, but one that experts say will face major hurdles in court.

On Tuesday, health commissioners from Chicago, New York and Boston came to Washington to lobby Congress and the White House on efforts to combat prescription opioid abuse, which is blamed for 17,000 deaths per year in the U.S. — more than three times as many as those due to either heroin or cocaine.

"This is a raging epidemic, and we are feeling the brunt of it in big cities across the country," Dr. Bechara Choucair, Chicago's health commissioner, said in an interview with the Associated Press.

Chicago's lawsuit, filed in July, alleges that five pharmaceutical companies deceptively marketed their drugs to treat long-term, non-cancer pain, even though that use was "unsupported by science." The allegations place the city at the centre of a national debate over the appropriate use of opioids, which are frequently prescribed to treat common conditions like arthritis and back pain. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

As more casinos fold 'em, workers axed

A sign seen early Tuesday announces the closing of Trump Plaza Hotel & Casino in Atlantic City, N.J. Trump Plaza is the fourth Atlantic City casino to go out of business so far this year. About 8,000 Atlantic City casino workers have lost their jobs in 2014, and another 3,000 could join them if Trump Plaza's parent company makes good on its threat to shutter the Trump Taj Mahal Casino resort in November. MEL EVANS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Tim Hortons, Burger King. Big fast-food takeover deal was a long, slow process

Tim Hortons executives spent nearly six months negotiating the $11-billion US takeover deal with Burger King, a process that saw the American company increase its offer for the coffee chain three times.

Documents filed with regulators on Tuesday illustrated lengthy talks that began last March with a suggestion to billionaire investor Warren Buffet, and soon brought Tim Hortons CEO Marc Caira into the mix through a conversation over dinner.

Within a few weeks, Burger King had submitted its first official offer for the Canadian company at $73 per share.

Over the coming months, the burger company's majority owner, 3G Capital, along with Burger King and Buffett's Berkshire Hathaway Inc., agreed to increase their offer, encouraged that plans by Tim Hortons to become more competitive in the quick-service food market would push its stock higher and grow its quarterly results.

Burger King's offer first rose to $78 per share in May and by June had jumped again to $82.50.

But Caira wasn't satisfied, the documents say, and in August he and chief financial officer Cynthia Devine told Burger King executives they would need to make a higher offer and clear commitments to Tim Hortons stakeholders, its employees and to Canada. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Ridesharing service

Ban on Uber lifted in Germany

A court in Germany has lifted an emergency injunction that banned the ridesharing service Uber from operating anywhere in the country.

The Frankfurt state court ruled Tuesday that the urgent measures taxi drivers won against their upstart rival last month weren't warranted. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

California

Self-driving cars, with 'safety drivers', to hit public roads

For the first time, California's Department of Motor Vehicles knows how many self-driving cars are travelling public roads.

The agency is issuing permits Tuesday that let three companies test 29 vehicles on highways and in neighbourhoods — with a human "safety driver" behind the wheel, in case the onboard computers make a bad decision. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

YOU'VE GOT KNEEDS, AMIRITE?

JUST SAYIN'

Paul Sullivan
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So WestJet is now going to charge $25 to lose, er, transport your bag to your destination.

If you're surprised, welcome to modern travel, where the airline industry does everything it can to take the miracle out of flight.

You already have to pay for a blanket and a pillow, so the real surprise is that it took so long for the airline to charge for basic baggage.

It's all part of the exercise in extreme endurance that flying economy has become. Unless you're prepared to pay a premium, you end up in cattle class: Sandwiched in a tight row four across, and the object is to somehow survive by fighting off the other guy's elbow or the oblivious recliner in the seat in front of you.

The seat recliner thing is perhaps the most humiliating and frustrating part of flying. Back at the dawn of discount fares, airlines began cutting back on leg room and stuffing more seats into the cabin. Nevertheless, most of them still allow seats to recline, which is fine for the person doing the reclining, but the passenger being reclined upon ends up having less room than a roasting chicken in a factory farm.

Seat wars have become, according to CNN, No. 1 and No. 2 on the list of the Top 20 causes of air rage. No. 2: reclining the seat; No. 1: kicking the back of the reclined seat in a fit of fury. A poll in the London Daily Telegraph showed that 70 per cent of the 18,000 respondents were in favour of banning reclining seats.

Some frequent flyers have become so desperate, they've forked over $21.95 to purchase something called the Knee Defender, a pair of clips that attach to the chair-back table and block the seat in front of you from leaning into your face. Of course, they are illegal on most airlines, including WestJet and Air Canada.

The Knee Defender is also banned on United Airlines, but that didn't prevent some guy from deploying his earlier this month on a United flight from Newark to Denver. He got a glass of water thrown in his face for his trouble, and the plane had to make the dreaded "unscheduled landing."

The inventor of the Knee Defender, a tall guy from Washington, says the publicity has turbocharged the sales of the device, but he still can't afford to fly first-class.

Why do airlines continue to allow seats to recline when it's so obviously the last straw for many fed-up flyers? Is it simply the sole remaining creature comfort that hasn't been eliminated — but give them time — or is it something more diabolical? Because, the airlines are quick to point out, there is a solution — on the other side of the first- or business-class curtain:

- One-way Vancouver to Toronto, economy — $550;
- One-way Vancouver to Toronto, leg room — $1,736.

I suppose you could always try the Knee Defender.

'Till drones do us part

A video still from Drone Wedding. The exhibit runs at the Ryerson Image Centre in Toronto until Dec. 19. PUBLIC STUDIO: DRONE WEDDING COURTESY RYERSON IMAGE CENTRE

Drone Wedding challenges public to think critically about surveillance, strikes

The artists of Public Studio are no strangers to examining difficult world issues in their art.

Elle Flanders' and Tamira Sawatzky's projects include the ongoing documentation of disappearing Palestinian villages (What Isn't There) and juxtaposing footage of protests from around the world, including the G20 protests in Canada (Kino Pravda 3G).

Their latest project again connects the global with the local.

The two researched drone killings carried out at weddings in places such as Pakistan and Yemen, then chose to explore what it's like to live under surveillance by staging a wedding in Toronto, filmed entirely by CCTV cameras and drones.

"We decided to kind of turn the lens on ourselves here and look at what it feels like to be targeted," said Sawatzky.

The result is Drone Wedding, a video installation where a universally joyous occasion is transformed into a place of paranoia, provoking the viewer to think about our own government's complicity in drone strikes and the growing presence of surveillance in our society. EMINA GAMULIN/METRO

Life under the constant hum

"We know the effect that it has ... in terms of people's hearing, people's psychological state after being constantly flown over and surveilled and targeted and terrorized."
Artists Elle Flanders and Tamira Sawatzky

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Say Gordon Ramsay had a show about polishing faltering viral videos to a shine. Call it Viral Hell, Cerberus Cinema or something like that. He'd spend the episode angrily criticizing some poor sap's cute dog clip, before hooking up that sap with new gear and tips to create something like this very short clip of Amelia affirming her status as the best dog. "Stunning," Gordon would say. "Fresh. Simple." (Eric A/YouTube)

Letters

Re: The Height of Discrimination by Jessica Napier, published Sept. 15, 2014: (Malcolm Gladwell is quoted in the column saying) "being short is probably as much, or more, of a handicap to corporate success as being a woman or an African-American." This is blatantly incorrect and anyone with a search engine and five minutes can disprove this. African-American descent constitutes around 12-13 per cent of the U.S. population, whereas the Fortune 500 list only contains six people of African-American descent, which makes 1.2 per cent of African-American descent on the list. I bring this up as (the column makes it sound like) being a person of colour or even a woman — there are 24 women CEOs of Fortune 500 companies, accounting for 4.8 per cent of all Fortune 500 CEOs — seem not as much of a social equality injustice as it truly is. **Carleton Gruger**

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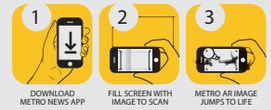

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SCENE 2

Enter the maze, if you dare

No way out. The Maze Runner is just the latest film to employ such a sinister puzzle as plot point

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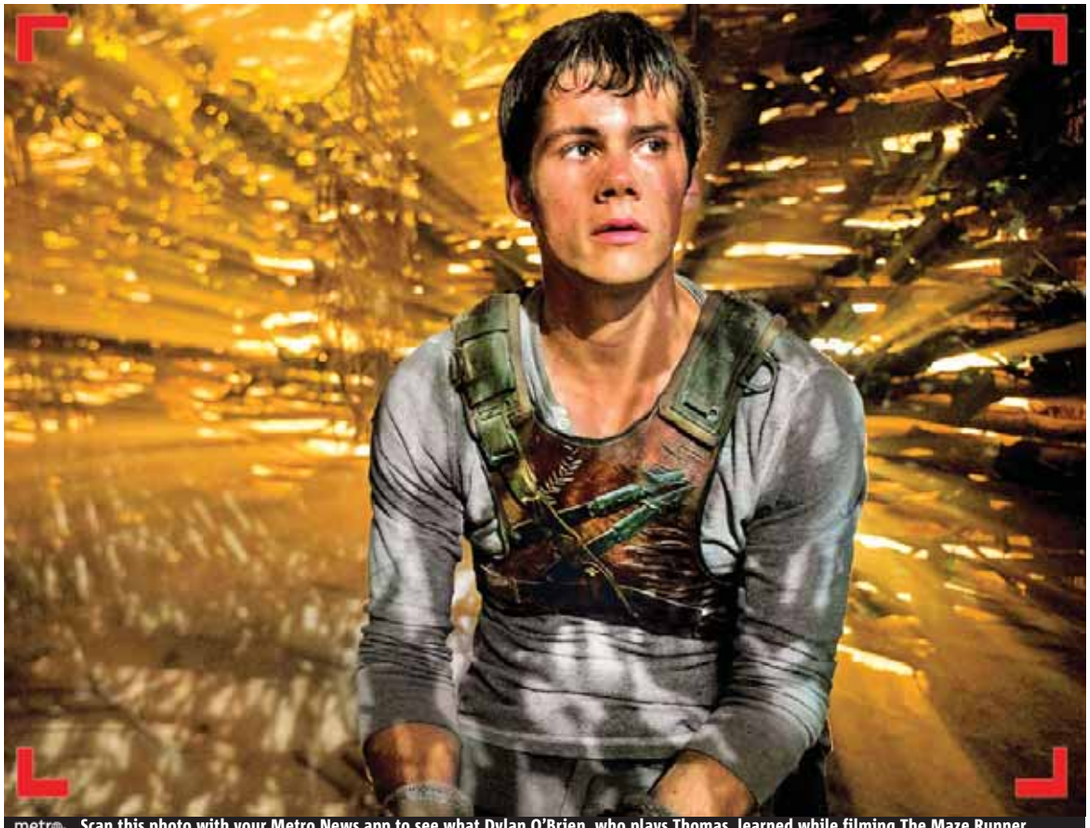

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Moviemakers have been using mazes to amaze audiences for years.

Giant labyrinthine puzzles are almost as old as mankind: Prehistoric mazes were built as traps for malevolent spirits, while in medieval times the labyrinth represented a path to God. But recently, the idea of people struggling through a complicated network of paths has made for some striking visuals in movies.

This weekend, The Maze Runner sets much of its action inside a gigantic maze where frightening mechanical monsters called Grievers wander, tormenting Thomas (Dylan O'Brien) as he navigates the maze to pick up clues that help him piece together memories of his past.

The sci-fi story is just the latest to feature a maze as a major plot point, but just as Labyrinth's Sarah (Jennifer Connelly) is warned, "nothing is as it seems" in these movie puzzles.

Remember Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire? Like Thomas in The Maze Runner, the boy wizard has to make it through a maze (in this instance to find the Triwizard Cup), but instead of fighting magical creatures, this hedge maze is magical; shape shifting to make the journey extra difficult.

The 1972 horror film Tales from the Crypt contained an even more sinister maze.

Made up of five stories, the film culminated with the tale of a labyrinth told with razor-sharp wit. Set in a home for the blind, the patients get even with the institute's cruel director by placing him in the centre of a maze of narrow corridors lined with razor blades.

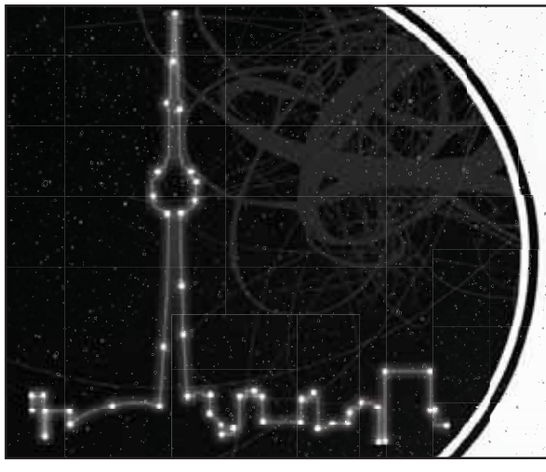
It's a cutting edge story, that, according to besthorrormovies.com "rivals the 'death traps' of Saw and 'tortures' of Hostel while only showing a single small cut of the flesh."

In The Shining, the axe-wielding father Jack Torrance (Jack Nicholson) chases his son Danny (Danny Lloyd) through the Overlook Hotel's hedge maze. The quick-thinking boy escapes by retracing his steps, confusing his maniacal dad.

The documentary Room 237 offers up a number of interpretations of what the maze and Danny's escape represents.

One theory suggests it reflects Greek hero Theseus' slaying of the Minotaur and escape from the labyrinth, while another speculates it's a metaphor for conquering repression. Whatever the subtext, it remains one of director Stanley Kubrick's most tense scenes.

And finally, Francis Ford Coppola's version of Dracula sees Lucy (Sadie Frost) sleepwalking through a garden maze, chased by Dracula (Gary Oldman) in wolfman form while Pan's Labyrinth features a maze as a place of safety for Ofelia (Ivana Baquero) to evade her attacker.



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Lena Dunham bares it all

A girl grows up. With a new book coming out, the Girls creator says she's learned to become comfortable with controversy

When Lena Dunham first pitched an idea to television executives for a show centred on the lives of four young women in New York City, she was met with puzzlement and condescension.

"They were like, 'You know that thing when girls live together and they suddenly all get their periods at the same time?' I was like, 'No, I don't know that thing, and even if it were true, there's other stuff I'm worrying about that I'd rather write about,'" Dunham recalls with a laugh in a recent phone interview.

Thankfully, Dunham found a home on HBO and now Girls, an unflinching look at the desires and humiliations of a quartet of 20-somethings, is set to enter a fourth season. After skyrocketing to fame as its creator and star, Dunham has turned her gaze inward to produce a new collection of personal essays.

She will debut Not That Kind of Girl: A Young Woman Tells You What She's 'Learned' at Just for Laughs 42 in Toronto on Saturday. During an onstage conversation with CBC personality Jian Ghomeshi, she will read excerpts from the much-anticipated memoir.

Spanning her life from early childhood to present day, the book explores topics like her obsessive health fears, awkward sexual encounters "where you keep your sneakers on," being naked on TV, and of course, what it was like to prove herself in a meeting of 50-year-old male executives.

Lena Dunham will be at Just For Laughs 42 in Toronto Saturday to debut her new book. DIMITRIOS KAMBOURIS/GETTY IMAGES

Dunham, 28, says she conceives of the book as an "exploration of femininity and feminism as it stands for young women, but through a very personal lens." She hopes that by sharing her own missteps, she can help others avoid doing the same.

Though she has long considered herself a feminist, Dunham says her awareness of sexism has been deepened by the sheer number of online attacks on her. A quick glance at her Twitter mentions reveals a steady stream of abuse, mostly focused on her body and unabashed nudity in Girls.

"I think I thought sexism was on its last legs. I think I thought it was like a staggering old behemoth falling to the ground, and starting my career has just given me the sense that we have so much further to go," says Dunham. "If I told everyone who had tweeted something misogynistic to me that they were misogynist, I wouldn't even know what that word meant anymore. And I always say I don't want to be the girl who cried misogyny. I really, really try to take each situation at face value. But it is amazing both in my public and private life how much of the negative dialogue I get into has to do with my femaleness."

The fourth season of Girls is set to premiere in 2015. In the third season finale, Hannah was accepted into the elite Iowa Writers' Workshop and told her shocked boyfriend (Adam Driver) she planned to attend.

Hannah will be in "the most mature place we've ever seen her" at the start of season four, says Dunham.

Quoted

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Lena Dunham on dealing with public criticism that focuses on her body

"And then, um, Shoshanna cut her hair to her chin. Big hair news!" she says.

Dunham calls herself a "Canadaphile" and lists Alice Munro among her literary idols — so it's no surprise she's "thrilled" to share her book at the Toronto comedy fest.

"I think Canada is a place with an amazing history of both literature and comedy and it's a really, really exciting place for me to go with the book," she says. "I also want to eat poutine and I want everyone to tell me where the best poutine is. I want to sample all the poutine."

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YouTube star youngest to perform at CMHR

Pint-sized prodigy. Maria Aragon calls opportunity to sing at museum's opening ceremony 'an honour'

ELISHA DACEY
Metro in Winnipeg

It's been three years since 11-year-old Winnipegger Maria Aragon uploaded a stripped-down, piano version of Born This Way and caught the attention of the song's artist, Lady Gaga.

The resulting YouTube brouhaha — Aragon's version has more than 50 million views and the pint-sized singer got to sing the song on stage with Gaga in Toronto — has led Aragon to a record deal, touring opportunities, numerous appearances locally and internationally, and now to the Canadian Museum for Human Rights.

Now 14, Aragon will be the youngest singer to perform at the national museum's opening ceremonies in Winnipeg on Friday.

While she won't reveal what song she's singing Friday, she said she hopes Canada is impressed.

"There's only three performers for that morning," she said. "I'm just so honoured to be one of them. Hopefully I'll just give a performance … that will make Winnipeg proud."

The opening ceremonies are being broadcast live, but the thought of millions of people watching her makes her more excited than nervous, she said.

Aragon said she thinks she was asked to perform thanks to her rich Filipino-Canadian cultural heritage, her age and her dedication to various charities, including Typhoon Haiyan relief.

"I know I'm representing youth," said Aragon. "I'm performing because I am younger, but I can also make a difference."

The CMHR opening ceremonies will be broadcast live Friday morning at 9:15 ET.

The beat goes on

Aragon recently debuted her first single, Nothing But a Beat.

- Her as-yet-untitled album is expected out in February.

Quoted

"I know I'm representing youth. I'm performing because I am younger, but I can also make a difference."

Maria Aragon, singer and recording artist

metro AR **Maria Aragon stands in front of the Canadian Museum for Human Rights, where she will perform at the opening ceremonies on Friday. Scan this photo with your Metro News app to see her cover of Born This Way.** ELISHA DACEY/METRO

Long list announced

Giller Prize doubles award purse

The Scotiabank Giller Prize has announced its 2014 long list — and says it is doubling the amount of cash it awards.

The prize purse will increase to $140,000, with $100,000 to the winner and $10,000 to each finalist.

Twelve titles made the long list, including books by Miriam Toews, David Bezmozgis and Shani Mootoo. They were chosen from 161 books submitted by 63 publishers.

This year's jury panel consists of Canadian author Shauna Singh Baldwin, British novelist Justin Cartwright, and American writer Francine Prose.

The Scotiabank Giller Prize will air on CBC-TV on Nov. 10.

Others on the long list include Frances Itani, Padma Viswanathan and Heather O'Neill.

The complete long list can be found at: scotiabankgillerprize.ca.

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The Word

Robin was in the Thicke of a substance abuse problem last year

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Metro World News in Hollywood

If you interviewed Robin Thicke last year and felt like you were doing all the heavy lifting, there's a reason for that. In a deposition for the lawsuit alleging he and Pharrell ripped off Marvin Gaye for the hit Blurred Lines, Thicke says he "had a drug and alcohol problem for the year" and "didn't do a sober interview" — even with Oprah — looking to distance himself from stories he told about his involvement in the creation of the song. In fact, it looks like he's trying to dump everything on Pharrell. "I was high on Vicodin and alcohol when I showed up at the studio," Thicke says of the song's creation. "I wanted to be more involved than I actually was by the time, nine months later, it became a huge hit and I wanted credit. So I started kind of convincing myself that I was a little more part of it than I was ... But the reality is, is that Pharrell had the beat and he wrote almost every single part of the song." There's a joke in here somewhere about Thicke taking advantage of himself while he was wasted, though I like to think I'm better than that. But he knows he wants it.

School's out for Minaj: Alma mater says 'No' to Nicki

Nicki Minaj (Fiorello H. LaGuardia High School class of 2000) was looking forward to visiting her former school and meeting with current students, but the institution said "No, thanks" — a slight Minaj took quite personally. "I wanted to go back to my HS and speak to the students but the new principal declined. No need for me to inspire them, I guess," Minaj tweeted. "I guess I'm not good enough." But before this pity party really gets going, let's check in with the school itself. Officials say Minaj is leaving out one key detail. "The fact is that Ms. Minaj was told by the NYC Department of Education that she would not be allowed to enter the school with a television crew," a letter sent by the school to parents reads. "The DOE has policies in place to protect the privacy and security of all it students."

Nicki Minaj

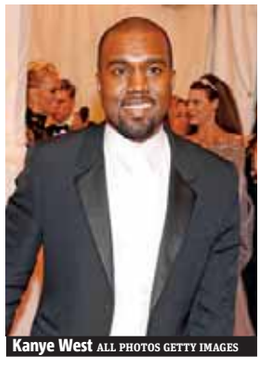
That that don't kill him, only make his rants longer

Kanye West addressed (kind of, sort of) the incident earlier this week in which he admonished a wheelchair-bound fan for not standing up during a concert and, well, the results are pretty typical Kanye.

Here are two choice excerpts from his five-minute rant:

• "This is such big media-press-news and everything that obviously they trying to demonize me for. It's like, 'Welcome to today's news, ladies and gentlemen.' We've got Americans getting killed on TV, kids getting killed every weekend in Chicago, unarmed people getting killed by police officers ... It makes you just want to reflect on what are the things that are a little bit more sensationalized than others."

• "This is real expression. This is real artistry. You know, an artist's career doesn't happen in one cycle of news. An artist's career happens in a lifetime. And if you're a true artist, you're willing to die for what you believe in ... Does it seem like in any way I might be slightly a true artist?"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Eva Mendes and Ryan Gosling

Stork brings goosling for Gosling and Mendes

It's a girl for Ryan Gosling and Eva Mendes, who reportedly welcomed a daughter last Friday, according to Us Weekly. The super-private couple managed to keep out of the public eye for much of the pregnancy, only confirming the impending birth two months ago. In February this year, Mendes initially sparked pregnancy rumours when she refused to use a full-body scanner at airport security. Gosling and Mendes began dating in 2011 after meeting on the set of The Place Beyond the Pines. We can only wait to see what Internet meme magic comes out of images of Gosling with an infant. It will be stupendous, whatever it is.

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Never overpack your bag

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3. Versatile neutrals can be dressed up with colourful accessories that weigh much less.
4. Pack a few items on their last legs. Wear and toss.
5. Pack miniature toiletries and slim down your kit with products that do double-duty (moisturizer with sunscreen, shampoo with conditioner).
6. Make sure at least one pair of shoes is waterproof. Do you need five pairs of shoes? No.

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Deals

Save money while booking online

While there's a time and place for travel agents, booking online is almost always the cheapest route. Sidestepping service fees is only the half of it. Tour companies, airlines and hotels frequently offer online-only specials, many of them last-minute. And by signing up for newsletters from your favourite hotel chains or airlines, you can pounce when the price is right. Top tip: Clear the cookies from your browser history between sessions: Some websites "remember" your last visit, and keep the prices higher than for those visiting the site for the first time. TEXT: DOUG WALLACE, PHOTO: ISTOCK

New

Kempinski Hotel Nay Pyi Taw

The new Kempinski Hotel Nay Pyi Taw in Myanmar is set to open Nov. 1. Situated near the capital city's airport and convention centre, the hotel features 141 rooms spread over four villas, along with a pavilion inspired by early 18th-century architecture. A fleet of BMW's is on hand to whisk guests to all the nearby sites, including the Bagan temple complex, Inle Lake and Mount Popa. Get a special rate of $180 for a premier suite until Dec. 31, subject to availability. Visit Kempinski.com. TEXT: DOUG WALLACE

Paris, by your selfie. Hotel promos pic tour

Trend

What the people want

Riding the wave of the selfie trend, the Mandarin Oriental Paris now offers a package with a private tour of the French capital's best locations for Instagram-worthy self-portraits. The prestigious hotel is not the only player in the tourism industry to have understood the marketing potential of the phenomenon. AFP

Perks

Free Wi-Fi for your posting pleasure

Guests are given a complete list of the most scenic and photogenic locations in Paris. While riding from one selfie spot to the next in the chauffeured car, guests can post their photos online thanks to the vehicle's on-board Wi-Fi. Complimentary Wi-Fi is also offered in each hotel room. AFP

By the numbers

$1,420

Or €995 is the price for The Mandarin Oriental's Selfie in Paris offer. That will get you a night in a deluxe room with breakfast and three hours with a private car and driver.

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Finding joie de vivre from a bicycle

Quebec tours.
La belle province offers stunning trails

Quebec has over 5,000 kilometres of bike-friendly roads and trails in its Route Verte (Green Way) cycling network and selecting which segments to ride can be bewildering. One no-fail route is to follow the food. Over two weeks, you can cycle two separate sections of Route Verte: the 256-kilometre circuit around Lac-Saint-Jean, and a collection of country lanes and bike paths on the eastern shore of the St. Lawrence between sunset-kissed Kamouraska and the Gaspé Peninsula.

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Veloroute des Bleuets

Stitched together from bike trails, country byways, village pathways and occasional paved shoulders, this is a beautiful ride along a lake so big it resembles the sea. Cyclists on Veloroute des Bleuets are treated to candy for all of the senses — the sight and sound of waterfalls, the crispness of the air, the tiny taste explosions of those wild blueberries. People generally take three to five days to circle the lake. The longer the trip, the more time to see places such as Zoo Sauvage, where great wild spaces are given to animals, and Val-Jalbert, a historical 1920s paper mill town dominated by a towering waterfall, illuminated at night in changing colours.

St. Lawrence

A nearly three-hour drive places you in the commanding Saguenay fjords and town of Tadoussac, a playground for hikers, whale-watchers, kayakers, nature lovers, artists and cyclists. Then it's 90 minutes by car ferry to the St. Lawrence's eastern shore, land of world-renowned sunsets, wild rosehip bushes, fragrant bakeries and more great biking.

Over five days, these proved among the best in a series of day rides: a loop in magnificent Parc Bic, where seals sun on rocks; village lanes and Route 132 from Notre-Dame-du-Portage to Saint-André; and a trail between La Pocatière and Saint-Roch-des-Aulnaies. You can't go wrong on this route. Especially when you end up for the night in that little chocolate factory, Auberge La Fée Gourmande.

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Bucket list

Trending now: Warsaw

The capital of Poland is currently enjoying a bit of a resurgence, attracting visitors buoyed by both budget-friendliness and renewed energy. The birthplace of Chopin, whose music is celebrated all over town, Warsaw is teeming with carefully restored buildings and monuments, lush parks and palaces, new galleries and old museums. And when the New Town dates from the 14th century, you've got some serious history and rebuilding going on. (Old Town is from the 13th century.) Be sure to stop in at the Wilanów Palace, the 17th-century Lazienki Królewskic Park and Palace complex and the Museum of the History of the Polish Jews, which just opened last year. If you're not renting a suite at the H15 Boutique Apartments (from $155), you're staying at the Hotel Rialto (from $80) or the Hotel Bristol (from $175). Visit WarsawTour.pl.

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Europe

New Dutch route celebrates liberating times

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You can tour Groesbeek in a 1940s Jeep with period music. LOREN CHRISTIE

As a Dutch-Canadian, I have always been proud of the tight bond between Canada and the Netherlands, a country that largely credits Canadians for their liberation from Germany at the end of the Second World War. As personal memories fade, Europe's new Liberation Route aims to keep the history of that period alive.

I recently toured the Dutch section of the Liberation Route. It is not an A to Z path that one follows, but rather a smattering of significant sites from war cemeteries to museums and monuments concentrated in the provinces of Gelderland and North-Brabant.

Near the town of Arnhem, the Groesbeek War Cemetery is the final resting place for 2,617 Canadians. The immaculately kept grounds are an incredible reminder of the sacrifice our country made. Chris Karamitsos, a retired firefighter and paramedic from Cornwall, Ont. was visiting the graves of soldiers from his hometown regiment. After placing small stones brought from Ontario in front of the headstones, he explained, "I got to have my life because of them. They deserve a piece of home."

The Airborne Museum Hartenstien in the town of Oosterbeek is housed in the former headquarters of the British airborne division. Like many museums, it offers a variety of exhibits but the underground airborne experience, which puts you in the midst of the battle of Arnhem, is not to be missed.

Throughout the region visitors will find large boulders adorned with remembrance plaques. There are audio stories associated with each plaque, which can be accessed through a free app. Gijs Numan, a leader in the Dutch Resistance credited with saving untold lives, is the subject of the marker next to the lock in the town of Apeldoorn. His audio story vividly recounts the night that he and Albert van de Scheur crept across the canal and brokered a peaceful exit from the town between the Germans and the Canadian liberators. For a quick two- or three-hour trip, book a tour with Bert Eikelenboom of Liberation Tour in Groesbeek. He will guide you through the history and main sites of the area in a 1940s jeep complete with period music.

Using the web to weave a network

Click your way to a crew. Get started on securing connections through social media

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Social media is a tool that can unlock a world of potential.

With just the click of a mouse and 140 characters, you can instantly connect with professionals, recruiters and prospective mentors.

If you're new to your field, you may not be sure how to approach social media for professional use. These tips can help you successfully network on social media.

Seek out connections

Start by seeking out connections that are of interest to you.

A good place to begin is by using the search bar on your chosen social media platform.

Search things such as the industry you're in, companies that you'd like to work for and their employees, and thought leaders within your industry.

Remember, people are not usually open to connecting with strangers on networks such ass Facebook and LinkedIn.

Start off with a platform like Twitter that allows you to follow and connect in a casual and less-direct fashion.

Once you've got a sense of which new connections are professional leads, you can reach out to them and explore connecting on more formal platforms, like LinkedIn.

Have a plan

There are a lot of conversations (and a lot of people) on social media, so it's easy to feel intimidated.

The easiest way to get ahead online is to set aside some time to create a plan for your digital networking.

Are you hoping to land your first job after graduation? Trying to build experience in a new industry? Looking to build a professional network?

Setting an overall objective for your online engagement will help you identify the opportunities that match your interests — and help you avoid feeling overwhelmed.

Focus on relationship-building

Although you may plan to use social media as a tool to land a job, focus on building relationships first.

Jumping straight to discussing your career goals or professional plans will likely alienate your new connection — after all, you're a stranger.

Start out by interacting with your new connections, commenting on their posts or activity and contributing to their discussions.

This is a much more effective way to build a good relationship and make a good impression with someone than just jumping the gun.

Share relevant content

If you follow professionals within your industry and you want them to follow you back, you need to show them that you're contributing to relevant conversations and that you're committed to your area of focus.

Keeping your profile up-to-date and consistently posting regular and useful content will help build your reputation in the online world.

These activities are a great way to build a portfolio and practice professional self-representation — as well as helping you shape your short- and long-term goals.

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The challenge of the chat

Join the right conversations

- Twitter chats are a great place to join conversations within your industry and also to connect with other like-minded people. Seek these chats out and try to attend them regularly.
- LinkedIn groups can also be a great place for you to build a professional presence. Join and start discussions surrounding your industry, and people will quickly begin to notice you.
- By regularly seeking out connections within your industry, focusing on building relationships with them and creating valuable content, you begin expanding your network with just a few clicks of the mouse.

Show your new connections that you're the real deal by joining in on conversations related to your shared professional interests. ISTOCK

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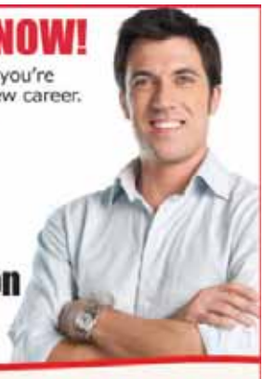
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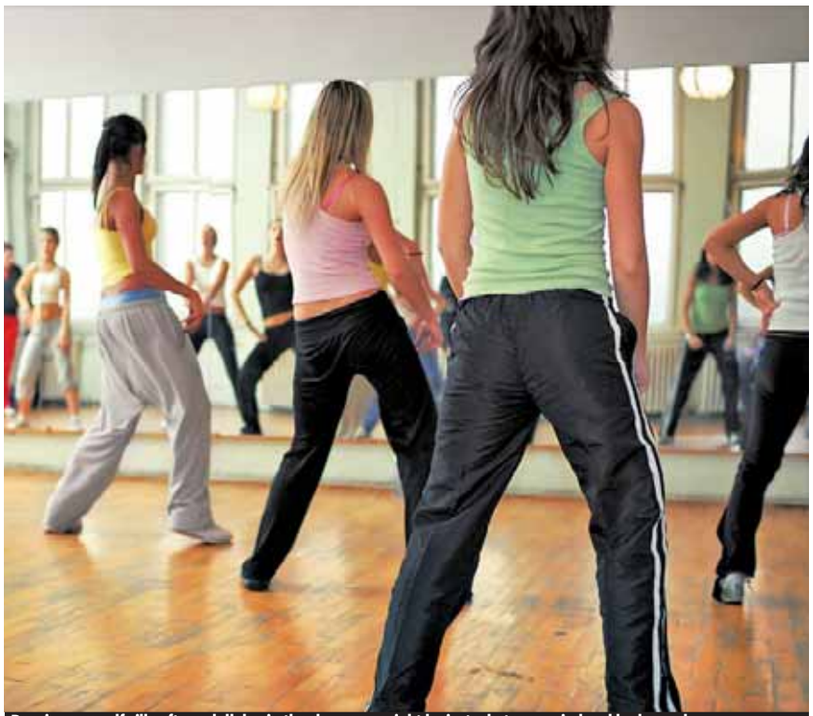

Dancing yourself silly after a dull day in the classroom might be just what your mind and body need. ISTOCK

Extra, extra! Make some room between cramming and course work for a fun activity

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School can be draining. It can be overwhelming and exhausting and sometimes, flat-out boring.

Getting involved in extra-curricular activities can give you a break from the textbooks and feed your brain in a whole new way. But there are plenty of other benefits to signing up for an on-campus pastime.

Discover what you love to do
Extra-curricular activities can help you find passion — especially if you're enrolled in an exceptionally draining academic program.

They're also a way to force yourself to commit. Allotting time to play sports or write or sing may not be something you'd otherwise prioritize unless you had a reason — and a commitment — to do so.

Meet new people
Getting involved in activities outside your normal social circle introduces you to people you may not otherwise meet.

You develop a whole new slew of friends and naturally bond with these people because you have something in common — and it's something the other people in your life likely can't relate to.

You bond over memorizing lines; struggling through swim practice; pulling all-nighters at the school paper. You share a big part of your life with a group of people. You get used to seeing them and spending time with them.

They end up knowing more about your personal life than your closest friends — and you come to rely on them in multiple aspects of your life.

Round out your resumé
Having a lot of related experience is all fine and dandy — but employers want someone with a well-rounded personality to complement that.

Getting involved in extra-curricular activities gives you so many opportunities to develop interpersonal skills, organizational skills and effective time-management.

Or maybe you get really passionate about the club you join and end up getting involved within the management of that organization.

The fun and the frivolous

Look closely at where your downtime is going. Are you watching rerun after rerun into the wee hours of the morning?

Not only are you developing skills, but you're gaining relevant experience that any employer will look upon favorably.

Keep your calendar full
Between exams, essays and your part-time job, it's easy to think you don't have time to put anything else on your plate — and occasionally, this is the case. But more often than not, people do have the time; they just haven't recognized it yet.

Look closely at where your downtime is going.

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Returning to the job market

Andrea's story

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Many years ago, Andrea Ouellette, who is deaf and has a cochlear implant, worked as a job coach at the Canadian Hearing Society (CHS) in Ottawa. To communicate with clients, she relied heavily on lip-reading and email, rather than using the phone.

After being away from Ottawa for several years, Ouellette returned to CHS Ottawa, not as an employee, but as a client of employment services.

CHS employment services helped Ouellette find the right job through industry-specific retraining and improving her job search skills.

"When I learned that the YMCA-YWCA resource centre was looking for a new employment consultant, I immediately made a recommendation that they consider her candidacy," said Richard Vallee, Ouellette's employment counsellor.

As Vallee anticipated, Ouellette's winning attitude and excellent people skills came through. After a few short weeks and an intense interview process, Ouellette was successful in landing a full-time permanent position.

"Even though Andrea is deaf, it was not that important to her future employer," Vallee said.

Ouellette uses email to connect with her clients, and her colleagues at the YMCA are very willing to make urgent calls to clients, if needed.

"Just a few weeks ago I met the director of the YMCA and she was so enthusiastic to tell me how happy they were to have hired Andrea and that she was doing a fantastic job," Vallee said.

Ouellette has been working for the YMCA for more than nine months and they are impressed with her skills and her ability to assist clients with their employment search.

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Soup season is around the corner

Homemade Tomato Soup with Biscuits. Looking past canned varieties in anticipation of colder weather? Try this simple option

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Get out into the garden and be sure to pick those fresh ripe tomatoes.

The large beefsteak tomatoes are perfect for sandwiches and salads but those ripe elongated plum tomatoes have fewer seeds and a meaty texture, which makes them perfect for soups and sauces.

Here is an easy tomato soup that is perfect to enjoy with homemade biscuits.

It doesn't take too long to prepare, either. While the soup is simmering you can make the biscuits.

This soup recipe serves four. The biscuit recipe results in 12 biscuits. ISTOCK

Ingredients

Soup
- 2 tsp (10 ml) canola oil
- 2 shallots, chopped
- 1 clove garlic, minced
- 1 tsp (5 ml) chopped fresh rosemary or 1/4 tsp/1 ml dried
- 1 tsp (5 ml) chopped fresh thyme or 1/2 tsp/2 ml dried
- 3 cups (750 ml) chopped fresh ripe plum tomatoes
- 3 cups (750 ml) vegetable or chicken broth
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) all purpose flour
- Pinch pepper
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) 1% milk

Biscuits
- 2-1/2 cups (635 ml) all-purpose flour
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) granulated sugar
- 1 tbsp (15 ml) baking powder
- 1/2 tsp (2 ml) salt
- 3/4 cup (175 ml) butter, cubed
- 1 cup (250 ml) milk (approx.)

Tomato Soup

1. In saucepan, heat oil over medium heat and cook shallots, garlic, rosemary and thyme for about 3 minutes or until softened. Add tomatoes and cook, stirring for about 5 minutes or until juices start to appear.

2. Using potato masher crush tomatoes. Add stock and bring to a boil. Reduce heat and simmer for 20 minutes.

3. Using immersion blender or pour into blender and purée until smooth. Return to clean saucepan. Whisk flour and pepper into milk. Stir into soup and bring to a simmer for 5 minutes or until thickened slightly.

Biscuits

1. In a large bowl, combine flour, sugar, baking powder and salt. Using pastry blender or fingertips cut in butter until mixture resembles coarse crumbs. Gradually add enough of the milk, stirring with fork to make soft, slightly sticky dough.

2. On lightly floured surface, knead dough gently about 10 times. Pat dough into 1-inch thick round. Using floured cookie cutter, cut out rounds. Place on ungreased baking sheet. Gather scraps and cut out more rounds.

3. Brush tops of biscuits with milk. Bake in 425 F (220 C) oven for about 12 minutes or until golden.

Give tomatoes hearty makeover

This recipe serves four people. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Hankering for tomatoes with a little more oomph? Is a salad just not cutting it? Looking for something a bit more robust?

Try this Cheese-stuffed Tomatoes recipe, which fills hollowed out tomatoes with a mix of bread crumbs and Monterey Jack cheese, then bakes them until bubbling.

1. Heat the oven to 400 F. Coat a 9-by-9-inch baking pan with cooking spray.

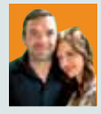
2. In a medium skillet over medium-high, heat the oil. Add the onion, garlic and coriander. Cook for 5 minutes, or just until tender. Stir in the bread crumbs, cheese, salt, pepper and cilantro.

3. Cut a 1/2 inch slice off the top of each tomato. Use a melon baller to scoop out the insides of the tomato, leaving the outer flesh intact. Spoon a quarter of the cheese mixture into each tomato. Arrange the filled tomatoes in the prepared pan. Bake for 8 to 10 minutes, or until tender and bubbly. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ingredients
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 1 medium yellow onion, diced
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1 tsp ground coriander
- 1 cup fresh bread crumbs (about 3 slices bread, finely food processor)
- 1 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese
- 1/4 tsp kosher salt
- 1/4 tsp ground black pepper
- 2 tbsp finely chopped fresh cilantro
- 4 large tomatoes

Food around the world

Guatemala (vegan rating: 5/10)



MEAT AND VEG
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Meat, a contented carnivorous writer, documents his and his vegan fiancée Veg's dietary journey as they travel and munch their way across four continents.

Veg: A street vendor in the city of Antigua was the source of Veg's favourite meal in this tricky country. Light and simple, the hard shell taco plate carried on it a large lettuce leaf, shredded red cabbage, strips of beetroot, parsley and a topping of onion and salsa. In limited Spanish, Veg requested the meal without cheese and eggs.

Meat: Zapallito rellenos (stuffed zucchini) is one of several national favourites here, I was told prior to leaving for the Mayan ruin site of Tikal. Our ruin-side hotel's free meal with board was a bed of mashed potatoes, local kale and this green chicken-filled ball topped with white cheddar. It was average at best, just like the country's range of decent food.

NASCAR

Jury to decide if Stewart will face charges in death

The decision of whether to charge three-time NASCAR champion Tony Stewart in the August death of a fellow driver at a sprint car race in upstate New York will be up to a grand jury.

Ontario County District Attorney Michael Tantillo said Tuesday he made the decision to present the case to a grand jury after reviewing evidence collected by sheriff's investigators. Tantillo could have determined there was not enough evidence to support charges and dropped the case, but instead announced his decision more than a month after Stewart's car struck and killed Kevin Ward Jr. at a dirt-track race on Aug. 9.

In a statement, Stewart said he respects the time and effort authorities have spent "investigating this tragic accident."

"I look forward to this process being completed, and I will continue to provide my full co-operation," he said. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Vardon Trophy

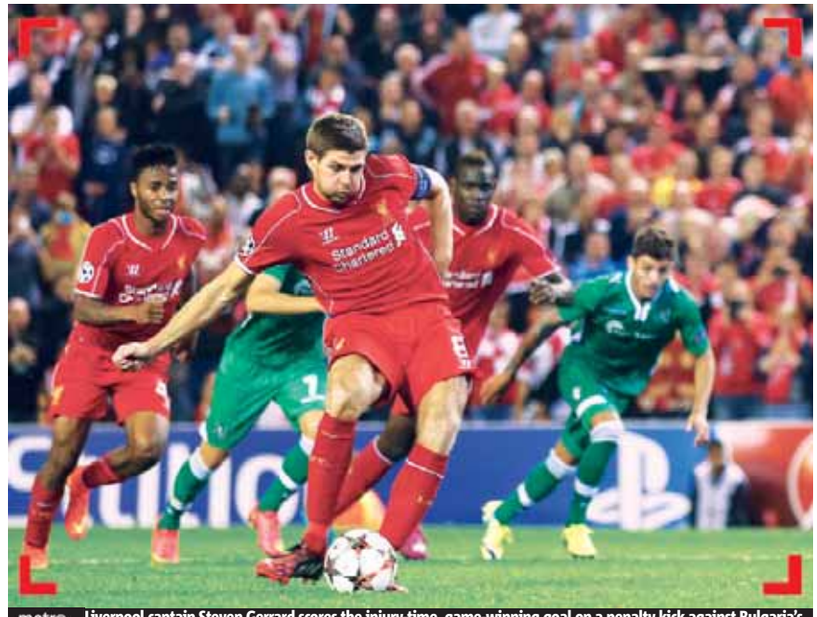
McIlroy named player of the year

Rory McIlroy is the Vardon Trophy winner and the PGA of America's player of the year for the second time.

McIlroy won the points-based player of the year award on the strength of his two majors at the British Open and PGA Championship. Winning two majors comes with a 50-point bonus. McIlroy also won the Bridgestone Invitational. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Gerrard makes it an OK day for Reds

UEFA Champions League. Liverpool bailed out by captain in return to Europe's top competition



metro AR Liverpool captain Steven Gerrard scores the injury-time, game-winning goal on a penalty kick against Bulgaria's Ludogorets Razgrad on Tuesday at Anfield in Liverpool. Scan the image with your Metro News app for a gallery with results from Tuesday's seven other Champions League openers. CLIVE BRUNSKILL/GETTY IMAGES

Steven Gerrard came to Liverpool's rescue once again in the Champions League, converting an injury-time penalty for a 2-1 victory over Ludogorets Razgrad on Tuesday in the English team's first game back among Europe's elite in five years.

Gerrard, the only player remaining from Liverpool's last Champions League match in December 2009, capped a frantic final 10 minutes at Anfield by scoring his 40th European goal after Ludogorets' debutant goalkeeper Milan Borjan, a Croatian-born Canadian, brought down Javier Manquillo.

Dani Abalo's goal in the opening seconds of injury time cancelled out Mario Balotelli's 82nd-minute strike — his first for Liverpool — and looked to be setting up a Group B draw for Ludogorets, the unheralded Bulgarians making their debut in the competition's group stage.

Gerrard found the net at the same Kop end he scored a memorable late goal against Olympiakos in December 2004 that set the team on its way to a fifth European Cup that season.

"We did OK, but it wasn't better than OK," the 34-year-old Gerrard said. "There's a lot to learn."

It was Liverpool's long-awaited return to what the club and its fans regard as their habitat and a sea of flags and scarves decorated all corners of Anfield before kickoff, with a mosaic of five European Cups held up on the Kop.

But it was arguably an even bigger night for Ludogorets, a team that didn't even exist at the turn of the century and only turned professional in 2010. The Bulgarian champions did not look overawed on the biggest night of their lives, famously made possible by defender Cosmin Moti's penalty saves in a shootout win against Steaua Bucharest in the qualifying playoff when filling in as goalkeeper.

And they could easily have drawn or even won the game, with Roman Bezjak rolling a shot against the foot of the post when clean through with the score at 0-0.

In the end, it was a reckless challenge by Borjan — signed on Friday to solve a goalkeeping crisis — that cost Ludogorets a point.

"He was upset, that's natural," Ludogorets coach Georgi Dermendzhiev said of Borjan, "But we told him after the game it is not a big mistake, everything will be fine in the future." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Group stage

Liverpool FC	Ludogorets
2	1

Peterson's star losing its shine in Minnesota

Adrian Peterson is cleared to play for the Vikings this Sunday GETTY IMAGES

For as long as he's been in the NFL, Adrian Peterson has been one of the league's most popular and marketable stars with an inspirational comeback story that made him an endorser's dream.

Now that he is facing a felony charge of child abuse for spanking his four-year-old son with a wooden switch, the Minnesota running back is facing criticism like never before. In the wake of the Vikings' decision to allow Peterson to play while the legal process plays out in Texas, at least one team sponsor has suspended its ties with the team, the governor has issued a rebuke and stores are pulling Peterson products.

"Yes, Mr. Peterson is entitled to due process and should be 'innocent until proven guilty.' However, he is a public figure; and his actions, as described, are a public embarrassment to the Vikings organization and the State of Minnesota," Gov. Mark Dayton said Tuesday. "Whipping a child to the extent of visible wounds, as has been alleged, should not be tolerated in our state. Therefore, I believe the team should suspend Mr. Peterson, until the accusations of child abuse have been resolved by the criminal justice system."

Vikings owners Zygi and Mark Wilf deactivated Peterson for the 30-7 loss to New England Sunday. But after reviewing files, speaking to Peterson, his attorney and authorities, the Wilfs reinstated Peterson and he plans to play Sunday in New Orleans. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Sponsors respond

Radisson Hotels suspended its local sponsorship deal with the Vikings a short time after Peterson was reinstated Monday.

- Nike stores at the Mall of America in Bloomington, Minn., and at an outlet mall in Albertville, Minn., pulled Peterson merchandise.

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2015 Hyundai Sonata

- **Type:** Four-door, front-wheel-drive midsize sedan
- **Engine:** 2.4-litre four-cylinder (184 hp), 2.0-litre turbo four-cylinder (245)
- **Transmission:** Six-speed automatic
- **Base price:** $25,694

Market position

Risen to consistent top-seller status in the midsize segment (fourth in 2013, behind Accord, Fusion and Camry), by making each generation significantly better than the previous one. New model for 2015 focuses on safety technologies and a new interpretation of swoopy styling.

Points

- Seventh generation of Hyundai's family sedan.
- All-new chassis with significantly improved ride and handling.
- Available front and rear heated seats.
- New suite of driver-assist and safety technologies.
- Three selectable drive modes: Eco, Normal and Sport

The new Sonata is less swoopy, which improves driver visibility.

Safety features

Seven air bags, electronic brake force distribution and brake assist, traction and stability control, available adaptive cruise with stop-and-go capabilities, available forward-collision warning, blind-spot detection with rear cross-traffic alert, lane-departure warning system, and lane-change assist.

Less style, more substance

PHOTOS: MIKE GOETZ

Review. Redesigned Hyundai Sonata swaps its exterior swoops for better handling and a much-improved ride

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Back in 2009, the sixth-generation Sonata rocked the midsize segment with killer looks and great value. Sonata has been a major seller ever since, hanging in there with the likes of Honda Accord, Ford Fusion and Toyota Camry.

For the seventh-generation 2015 Sonata, Hyundai has dialed back the looks a bit. Mostly, it lost that dramatic slope line at the rear of the cabin, which made it look very coupe-like.

In the meantime, its competitors have seriously jazzed up their content and visuals — notably Mazda6 and Fusion.

All this makes Sonata a slightly different proposition than it was last year, and playing to different strengths.

It's more of an all-rounder, with a much-improved ride and better handling. The new chassis feels more secure and capable, and the electric power steering dials in more feel.

The new exterior shape improves outward visibility and rear-seat ingress and egress.

As before, the rear-seat area is spacious, and it's one of the few midsize models that offers optional rear-seat heating. For kids back there on cold mornings, those seats are, as Ron Burgundy would say, "kind of a big deal."

The powertrain has some tweaks, but is basically carried over from last year, so you get two choices of four-cylinder power (2.4-litre or 2.0-litre turbo), both mated to a traditional 6-speed automatic, for that familiar shift feel and performance. A hybrid version is also available.

The interior has an easygoing personality, with intuitive, easy-to-use controls.

My test vehicle was a Sport model with the Tech package ($30,199), with the standard 2.4-litre four. The 2.4 comes with direct injection, DOHC, aluminum block and head, and continuously variable valve timing.

With 185 hp and 178 lb.-ft. of torque on tap, it is very similar in refinement, power, fuel efficiency and on-the-road performance to the other big fours out there in this segment.

At the wheel, the Sonata has an easygoing personality, with very intuitive and easy-to-use controls and infotainment paraphernalia.

The Tech package showed off many new premium features, which are more-or-less expected in this midsize class, including an 8-inch touch screen with navigation and rear-view camera, Bluetooth, blind-spot detection, rear park assist and a heated steering wheel.

Limited and Ultimate models are where you find the top-shelf technology, such as lane-departure warning and assist, front collision warning system, adaptive cruise control, electric parking brake and ventilated front seats.

The new Sonata will surely continue to win its share of fans in this very competitive family sedan segment.

Compare

1 Mazda6
Base price: $26,190
Voted AJAC's 2014 new car of the year. Fun to drive and look at, with lots of interesting technology.

2 Chrysler 200
Base price: $21,290
Making a play with keen styling and keen pricing, and a 9-speed automatic.

3 Chevrolet Malibu
Base price: $26,695
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5 DRIVE

Cyclists can improve their odds by being predictable, obeying traffic signals and making eye contact with drivers. TORSTAR

Riding or driving, bicycling safety is up to everyone

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Driving Force.

Everyone sharing the road must be aware of the dangers cyclists face from cars, trucks and each other

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Cycling is great exercise and a viable means of transportation, but it can also be dangerous when vehicle traffic is part of the mix. It's important for everyone to take an active role in bicycle safety.

"We always tell motorists that they have metal around them, while cyclists are vulnerable, but cyclists should be good road-sharing partners as well," says Teresa Di Felice, director of government and community relations for CAA South Central Ontario. "We want to mitigate conflict and get to safety."

It's important for cyclists to think about safety and follow the rules of the road, since drivers can't predict what cyclists are going to do. This includes riding with the flow of traffic (unless there's a bike-specific contraflow lane), obeying traffic signals, and making eye contact with motorists at intersections.

Likewise, drivers need to give cyclists at least a metre of space when passing them, check for cyclists alongside when making right-hand turns, and look for oncoming bicycles when making left-hand turns. Drivers also need to stay farther back when driving behind a cyclist, since a bicycle can stop much faster than a car.

Cyclists have to use extra caution around big trucks, which have large blind spots despite their multiple mirrors.

"Cyclists are flexible and can get into smaller spaces, but that space between a curb and a car is different when it's a curb and a truck," Di Felice says.

"We tell cyclists to stay back behind the truck, to let it go and make its turn."

Even though truck drivers make wide right turns, the trailer will always turn sharper than the truck, and a cyclist waiting at the curb could be crushed under the trailer's rear wheels before he even realizes he's in danger.

Di Felice also warns that while cars should move out to pass cyclists, trucks can't always do this.

"There's a responsibility for the trucker to give cyclists space, but they can't easily weave out, especially if it's uphill. We encourage truckers to do what they can, but cyclists must realize that no one's trying to be aggressive, and they can't manoeuvre a truck the way they would a car."

Cyclists should also make themselves visible with lights or reflective clothing, especially at dusk, when those on bikes may still think it's bright outside but motorists have less visibility through their windshields.

If one cyclist in a group has the brightest lights or clothing, put that person at the back of the pack, if possible.

"Cycling isn't a fad, and we're seeing it increase," Di Felice says. "It's important to address this, and our role is to look at what needs to be done."

Safety tips

- Distracted cycling is dangerous, and cyclists shouldn't phone or text while riding, or wear earbuds that could drown out traffic noise.
- To avoid "dooring" cyclists, drivers should open doors with their right hands, which forces them to look behind them.
- CAA.ca offers free tips on bicycle safety, as well as CAA's Bike Assist program for members.

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Your ideas may be amazing but unless you find practical ways of applying them to your everyday affairs they won't do you much good.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
The Sun in Virgo endows you not only with a positive outlook but also a willingness to take risks. Something you begin over the next few days could change your life in remarkable ways.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
Not everything will go the way you want it to go today but those things which do work out right will far outnumber those things which don't.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
Because recent months have been hectic there were things you wanted to do but never quite got round to. Now you can begin to move in a more agreeable direction. Focus only on what makes you smile.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
The successes of recent weeks could still easily be reversed, so don't start thinking you have cracked it and no longer need to make an effort.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
The past few weeks have seen many beneficial changes in your life and before the Sun leaves your sign on the 23rd there will be more surprises.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Mercury, the planet of the mind, in your sign makes this the ideal time to figure out what you need to change to make your life more complete.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
Are you delighted with what you have achieved? Or are you saddened because you wasted so many opportunities? Either way you should not get too worked up about it.

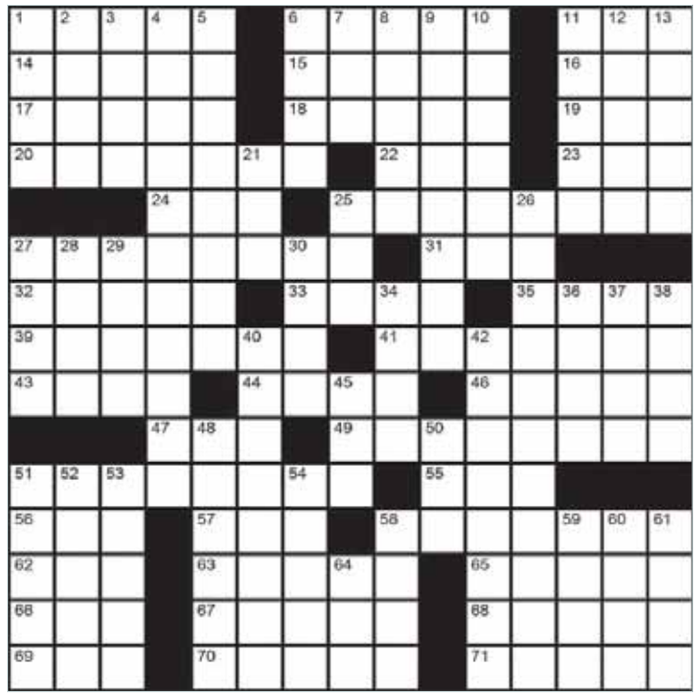
♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
The way you react to problems of a partnership nature is of the utmost important today. If you criticize others too harshly then you must expect matters to most likely get worse.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
Too often in the past you have been content to let life come to you, but now you must push yourself forward at every opportunity. Success comes to those who dare.

♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Over the next few days you should rests. When the Sun changes signs on the 23rd it will be all go again, but in a good way, so save yourself for then.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Neptune, your ruler, is linked with mind planet Mercury today, so your brain will be buzzing with ideas. For results, limit yourself to one objective.

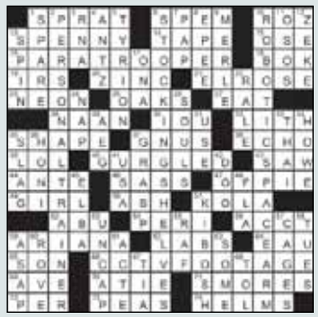
Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan



Across
1. Jessica Alba's hubby Mr. Warren's
6. __ Ark
11. Wordplay
14. Add to the tab: 2 wds.
15. "_ __ Grows in Brooklyn" (1945)
16. Singer's trophy, e.g.
17. Flower feature
18. Category
19. Duran Duran song
20. Cape Breton: __ Wilderness Area
22. Mr. McLean, et al.
23. Highlander's hat
24. Days opp.
25. #58-Down sauce
27. 'The Great' Quebec river: 2 mots
31. US gov. radio service
32. "The results __ __!"
33. Humorous hound
35. Actor Stephen's
39. Goes forth without a plan: 2 wds.
41. Cancel
43. Mr. Meyers
44. Centimetre, e.g.
46. "The _! __ Hollywood Story"
47. Mr. Hanks
49. "Run with Us": 1987 hit for Canadian songstress Lisa __
51. BC's __ Coast
55. Indonesia's __ Islands
56. Chicoutimi chum
57. __-Caps (Candy brand)
58. Lustrous lip liners
62. The Beeb
63. Brash
65. King Arthur's father, __ Pendragon
66. Liberace's nickname
67. Furor
68. Publish
69. Be imperfect
70. Prefix to 'dactyl' (Flying reptile)
71. Gregor __ (Main character of Franz Kafka's The Metamorphosis)

Down
1. Rocky projection
2. Halo
3. High-hatter
4. Canadian Museum for __ __, brand new in Winnipeg
5. King Leonidas and his people
6. Harps at
7. 'Capri' suffix
8. Musician/actor Desi
9. Robert __, Canadian 'Shark' on ABC's "Shark Tank"
10. Manages the matter: 2 wds.
11. PQ = __ Quebecois
12. Arctic boat
13. One of The Judds
21. Military org. in The States
25. TV actor Mr. McGinley
26. "Also Sprach __": Richard Strauss piece in "2001: A Space Odyssey" (1968)
27. Rules
28. India.__ (Singer/songwriter)
29. Gracious guy
30. Fawn
34. "That __ __ silly!"
36. Avoir's cohort
37. Take _ __ from (Be influenced)
38. Garden construction
40. At hand
42. Devises a new plan after a setback
45. W. Somerset Maugham novel, Cakes and __
48. "__, __!" (Retort to a rather clever barb!)
50. 'Event' suffix
51. Sand: French
52. Earthy pigment
53. Not as rude
54. Oslo's country, to its citizens
58. Greek pita serving
59. Crevice fille
60. Poetic nightfalls
61. Mlle. cousin
64. Worm: French

Yesterday's Crossword



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2	3					1		7
	6	7	3				9	2
5			8	7			6	
			2		3	6	7	
		3		8		4		
	5	6	9		7			
	8			2	9			6
6	1				5	9	4	
3		9					1	5

Yesterday's Sudoku

1	8	2	9	7	3	4	5	6
4	3	9	5	6	8	7	2	1
7	6	5	2	1	4	9	8	3
9	2	6	3	4	1	8	7	5
8	7	1	6	5	9	3	4	2
3	5	4	8	2	7	1	6	9
6	4	7	1	9	2	5	3	8
2	1	3	7	8	5	6	9	4
5	9	8	4	3	6	2	1	7

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